

Pastoral Care Team

A group of people from the church who are concerned about the welfare of people both from the church and village. We visit those who are in need and would like a visit.

We organise the welcome team in church and hope to make sure people feel welcomed into the church and then continue to feel part of the fellowship.

We have a special concern for people who have been bereaved and help organise the annual *Hope and Thanksgiving* service in our church for those who have lost loved ones.



Personal, confidential and individual prayer is available after the main Sunday morning service and at other agreed times by a dedicated team from St Mary's Church.

Prayer Ministry includes, listening, prayers for healing, giving thanks and praying for others. Prayer requests are prayed for by the group on a regular basis. These can of course be anonymous.

Mission Giving

Support for charitable giving is core to St. Mary's ethos. In recent years we have given up to £35,000 to local, national & international Charities.

We often host representatives from these charities & invite you to come & hear these heart-warming & uplifting talks.

We always support appeals of the DEC (*Disaster Emergencies Committee*),

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Finding out about the Christian faith



We love to run an **Alpha** course each year for people who wish to find out more about the Christian faith.

These groups are small, informal and fun.

They include an evening meal and you can ask any questions you like!

You don't have to be a believer to come – just someone who wants to explore the deeper issues of life

Small Groups



Informal small groups meet at various homes in the village at different times during the week for fellowship, Bible study, prayer, encouragement and fun together.

You can chose which group and day of the week suits you best.



Women of all ages meet together for discussion and fellowship Friday mornings 9-11am in church - pre-school children welcome

Social Events

The church holds several social events during the year to which all are warmly invited.

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Welcome to



St Mary's Church
Cholsey

Church Office, Tel: **01491 651812**
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Office hours:

Monday 2.00pm – 5.00pm
Wednesday 12.30pm – 4.00pm
Thursday 9.00am – 4.00pm

St Mary's website:
www.stmaryscholsey.org

From Andrew Petit,
the Vicar:



A warm welcome from all at St Mary's, Cholsey. As a church, we want to be welcoming to all and open to the Holy Spirit and the love of God.

From the outside, our building appears to be a fairly typical medieval village church. However, the moment you step inside you realise you have come somewhere very special. It is clearly a building that is filled with light, life, warmth and love. The modern reordering of the church (completed in the spring 2001) beautifully complements the ancient lines of the Norman building

It also makes very clear that this church is a living community, eager to take the love of Christ into the wider world.

If you would like more information regarding the life of our church, please look at our website or contact our church office. (details are shown on the cover)

Tel: 01491 651216

Worship at St. Mary's

8am

3rd Sunday only

Holy Communion
(traditional)

9.45 am (main service)

1st Sundays

2nd, 4th & 5th Sundays

3rd Sundays

Family worship
Parish Communion
Morning worship

6pm

1st Sundays

2nd Sundays

Church prayer meeting
The Sanctuary
(a time of quiet reflection)

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Creche

Each Sunday when there is no family service Crèche meets. From babes in arms to 4 year olds we meet together during the service for our own time of fellowship.

We spend time together, getting to know each other, reading a Bible story, colouring, sticking, singing songs, dancing and laughing. Parents are welcome to stay if they wish..

Kids Club

The children (age 4 upwards) meet each Sunday morning during the main service . After joining all together for the first part of the church service, the children can go to their special groups.

We aim to have lots of fun and learn about God. Hope to see you there.

(The children's groups do not meet on the 1st Sunday in the month when it is a Family Service and we all worship together).



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Little Fishes



The group is run in the Laurence Hall, Church Road, Cholsey, each Tuesday morning during term time between 9am and 12 midday.

Little Fishes is a great chance for parents, grandparents and carers to meet and chat. We provide a safe and friendly environment in which children can play and be stimulated and strong friendships of all ages are built over cups of coffee or at the craft table. We offer a snack for children around mid morning. We are visited by the Health Visitor on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month. We are a church run group and for those who wish, there is always the chance for prayer, time to talk and information about baptism, weddings or church services. From bumps to pre-schoolers, new mums to experienced hands you can be assured of a warm welcome each time you come.

Messy Church

On the 2nd Sunday of each month (apart from July, August and December), we have a special time in **Moulsford Church** from **4.30 - 5.30pm** for young families.

We start off with cake and soft drinks (or tea for the adults) and a creative activity for the children.

We then have a short (20 minutes) service, with songs, interactive reading of a Bible story, and a child-friendly talk. All young families (with children upto about 10) from Cholsey and Moulsford are welcome.

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